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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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For: **POROUS MATERIALS EMBEDDED WITH NANOSPECIES, METHODS OF FABRICATION THEREOF, AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF**

RESPONSE WITH ADMENDMENTS TO ADVISORY ACTION AND
SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In regard to the above-referenced application, the Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 to be respectively entered and considered prior to examination. Enclosed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 20-0778.